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## Overpass goes up in Provo Canyon

Work is continuing on a clover-like interchange at the mouth of Provo Canyon, and people traveling through the canyon can expect periodic delays in traffic flow, according to C.V. Anderson, UDOT District 6 director. "There will still be delays for a while as long as blasting continues," Anderson said. Crews are blasting in order to widen portions of the road within the first few miles north of

the interchange. This month work crews installed steel beams that will support an elevated lane for traffic turning off of Orem's Eighth North and traveling north up the canyon. Anderson said work will continue this fall, weather permitting, on a bridge over Provo River that will tie into the overpass. He said construction on the intersection, which continues daily, likely will be completed next fall.



## Utah County births

### Utah Valley Hospital

BAHR, Mr. and Mrs. Damon, Springville, Boy.

BARNEY, Mr. and Mrs. Melvin, Orem, Girl.

DEGASTON, Mr. and Mrs. Neal, Provo, Girl.

FEAMANcq, Mr. and Mrs. Bart, Nephi, Girl.

HANDY, Mr. and Mrs. David, Orem, Boy.

HAWKS, Mr. and Mrs. Steve, Provo, Girl.

INGRAM, Mr. and Mrs. David, Provo, Girl.

MOON, Mr. and Mrs. Robert, Provo, Boy.

MOONEY, Mr. and Mrs. Rick, Orem, Girl.

McBRIDE, Mr. and Mrs. Corey, Orem, Girl.

SHURTZ, Mr. and Mrs. Clark, Provo, Girl.

STEELE, Mr. and Mrs. Curtis, Price, Girl.

SWENSEN, Mr. and Mrs. Steven, Spanish Fork, Girl.

TANGREN, Mr. and Mrs. Perry, Orem, Boy.

TWYMANcq, Mr. and Mrs. Herbert, Orem, Girl.

WHITE, Mr. and Mrs. Gerald, Pleasant Grove, Boy.

WRIGHT, Mr. and Mrs. Gregory, Provo, Girl.

### Orem Community Hospital

BENNION, Mr. and Mrs. Brian, Orem, Boy.

BEST, Mr. and Mrs. James, Pleasant Grove, Girl.

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MINER, Mr. and Mrs. Brent, Cedar Hills, Girl.

### Mountain View Hospital

BARTLETT, Mr. and Mrs. Donald, Spanish Fork, Boy.

BEAGLEY, Mr. and Mrs. Chad, Spanish Fork, Boy.

CHRISTENSEN, Mr. and Mrs. Ken, Spanish Fork, Boy.

DAVIS, Mr. and Mrs. Bill, Centerfield, Boy.

FOWLES, Mr. and Mrs. Kyle, Provo, Girl.

GRIMSHAW, MR. and Mrs. Rondo, Delta, Girl.

HAMMON, Mr. and Mrs. Kelly, Mapleton, Boy.

HANSEN, Mr. and Mrs. Craig, Santaquin, Boy.

HARMAN, Mr. and Mrs. Ken, Manti, Twin Girls.

HOWARD, Mr. and Mrs. Raymond, Spanish Fork, Boy.

PRINCE, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas, Spanish Fork, Boy.

PULHAM, Mr. and Mrs. Mark, Santaquin, Girl.

REIMSCHUESSELcq, Mr. and Mrs. James, Spanish Fork, Boy.

SPENCER, Mr. and Mrs. Brad, Payson, Boy.

STAM, Mr. and Mrs. Wade, Spanish Fork, Boy.

TERVORT, Mr. and Mrs. David, Elkridge, Boy.

WALLACE, Mr. and Mrs. Craig, Delta, Boy.

## Laffertys

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The Laffertys, who have acted in their own defense since their arraignment in August, are charged with the July 24 slashing deaths of Brenda Lafferty, 24, and her 15-month-old daughter, Erica Lane Lafferty, in American Fork. They also are charged with two counts of criminal conspiracy to commit murder and two counts of aggravated burglary.

Following a mental competency hearing last week, Bullock ruled that the brothers are not only competent to stand trial, but to act in their own defense as well. Although Bullock has not commented publicly on why he reversed his ruling, Deputy Utah County Attorney Wayne Watson, co-prosecutor for the state, speculated that the publication last week of the brothers' purported revelation in part prompted the action. The so-called revelation was published in the Provo Herald.

"The way we view it, we have been appointed to represent competent individuals," Weight said. "Under the Constitution, we can't because their rights can't be violated in that sense. I just don't think we can do it legally."

For Bullock to justify his action in appointing counsel for the brothers, Weight said, the judge would have to formally rule that the Laffertys are incompetent to represent themselves.

"He didn't state in his (Saturday) order that he has found them incompetent," Weight said. "It puts us in a very awkward, difficult, almost impossible situation in my opinion. It doesn't make sense."

Though Bullock has yet to rule on Weight and Esplin's motion, Weight speculated that he and Esplin likely would be relegated to standby counsel, allowing the Laffertys to continue in their own defense.

## Redevelop

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